

Drug Investigation Leads to Two Arrests-Millsboro



Darrin L. Sheppard



Bryan K. Broughton

Millsboro- The Delaware State Police have arrested 54-year-old **Darrin L. Sheppard** and 49-year-old **Bryan Broughton**, both of Millsboro, DE following an investigation into the distribution of illegal drugs.

On May 21, 2020, members of the Sussex Drug Unit (SDU), Sussex Governor's Task Force (GTF), and the Special Operations Response Team (SORT) executed search warrants in the matter of Sheppard and Broughton following a drug investigation. Sheppard was observed exiting his residence in the 26000 block of Portside Lane, Rehoboth Shores, Millsboro and enter into a 2020 Jeep. Sheppard proceeded to travel on Long Neck Road, when members of the Sussex GTF conducted a traffic stop on the vehicle, in which they had a pre-authorized search warrant. Sheppard was found in possession of drug paraphernalia and over \$300.00 in suspected drug proceeds. He was taken into custody without incident.

Members of the Sussex GTF and SDU then responded back to Sheppard's residence and executed a pre-authorized search warrant for the residence. During the execution of the search warrant the following was located:

- 20,280 bags of heroin (approximately 141.96 grams)
- One revolver handgun
- Ammunition
- Drug Paraphernalia

Members of the SORT, Sussex GTF and SDU then responded to

Broughton's residence in the 25000 block of Berry Bramble Falls, Millsboro, to execute a pre-authorized search warrant for the residence. Upon execution of this search warrant the following was located:

- 1 Glock 23 .40 caliber (loaded with one in chamber and seven in magazine)
- Approximately 60.25 grams of cocaine
- 342 bags of heroin (approximately 2.39 grams)
- Approximately 5.56 grams of marijuana
- A Crossbow
- 25 rounds of ammunition
- Over \$16,000 in suspected drug proceeds

Broughton was taken into custody at the residence without incident.



Both Sheppard and Broughton were transported back to Troop 7 where they were charged with the following:

Darrin Sheppard:

- Possession of a Firearm During the Commission of a Felony (2 counts)
- Possession With Intent to Deliver a Controlled Substance Tier 3 Quantity
- Possession of a Deadly Weapon By Person Prohibited
- Possession of a Deadly Weapon By Person who Also Possesses Controlled Substance
- Conspiracy Second Degree

Sheppard was arraigned before the Justice of the Peace Court and committed to the Sussex Correctional Institution on \$65000.00 cash only bond.

Bryan Broughton:

- Possession of a Firearm During the Commission of a

Felony

- Possession With Intent to Deliver a Controlled Substance Tier 3 Quantity (2 counts)
- Possession of a Firearm/Destructive Weapon If Previously Convicted of A Violent Felony
- Possession of a Firearm or Ammunition by a Person Prohibited Prior Violent Crime or Felony
- Conspiracy Second Degree
- Possession of Marijuana

Broughton was arraigned before the Justice of the Peace Court and committed to the Sussex Correctional Institution on \$77100.00 cash only bond.

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